

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 5-11 and 13-18 are presented for consideration, with Claims 1 and 9 being independent.

Initially, Applicants note with appreciation that the application is in condition for allowance except for several formal matters addressed below.

In that regard, the specification has been amended to include identification of the reference characters in Figures 2 and 5, as identified in paragraph 7 (page 6) of the Office Action. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to the drawings is respectfully requested.

Applicants are submitting concurrently herewith a Submission of Replacement Sheet of Drawings showing Figure 2 labelled as --Prior Art--, as required by the Examiner. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to the drawings for the reasons set forth in paragraph 8 (page 7) of the Office Action is respectfully requested.

The specification was objected to for allegedly failing to provide proper antecedent basis for the subject matter in Claims 5, 10, 19 and 21.

In response to this objection, Claim 10 has been amended to include the language “to move it to a different reactor” as discussed on page 9 of the Office Action, and Claims 19 and 21 have been cancelled. With respect to Claim 5, Table 6 on page 50 of the specification shows, in Examples D-I, the number of times (N) of discontinuous processing ranging from 1 through 5, resulting in photoconductive layer regions of 2 through 6 in layer thickness. It is submitted that this disclosure provides sufficient support for the photoconductive layer regions as set forth in Claim 5.

Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to the specification is deemed to be in order and such action is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, reconsideration and allowance of this application is deemed to be in order and such action is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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